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HOUSE RESOLUTION 2003

A RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING TEMPLE EMANU-EL ON ITS ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Whereas, Temple Emanu-El in Tucson will celebrate a century of service
2 to southern Arizona's Jewish community on March 20, 2010; and

3 Whereas, in 1910, 13 Tucson residents gathered to organize and elect
4 the Board of Directors for the first Jewish congregation in the Arizona
5 Territory. The official name of the new congregation was the Hebrew
6 Benevolent Society, which was later changed to Temple Emanu-El; and

7 Whereas, the Hebrew Benevolent Society built its first synagogue on
8 South Stone Avenue in Tucson. This building, the first Jewish house of
9 worship in Arizona, served the Jewish community of southern Arizona until
10 1949 and now houses the Jewish Historical Society; and

11 Whereas, in September 1949, Temple Emanu-El held the first service in
12 its new facility on North Country Club, which remains the congregation's
13 meeting place; and

14 Whereas, today Temple Emanu-El is the largest Reform synagogue in
15 southern Arizona, with exceptional religious, educational, outreach and
16 social missions and programs that bring holiness to our state every day; and

17 Whereas, for one hundred years, Temple Emanu-El has served the
18 spiritual needs of southern Arizona's Jewish residents and has worked
19 diligently to improve the lives of those in the greater Tucson community.
20 The clergy and congregation of Temple Emanu-El, both past and present, are
21 deserving of recognition for their many contributions to the area's citizens
22 and to the community over the years.

23 Therefore

24 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

25 That the Members of the House of Representatives congratulate Temple
26 Emanu-El on the auspicious occasion of its one hundredth anniversary and
27 extend best wishes for its continued success.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 22, 2010.

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